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To direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct a rulemaking proceeding to establish requirements for Alaska guide pilots who conduct flight operations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. YOUNG of Alaska introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. REGULATION OF ALASKA GUIDE PILOTS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date of enact-
5 ment of this Act, flight operations conducted by Alaska
6 guide pilots shall be regulated under the general operating
7 and flight rules contained in part 91 of title 14, Code of
8 Regulations.

1 (b) RULEMAKING PROCEEDING.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the
3 Federal Aviation Administration shall conduct a
4 rulemaking proceeding to modify the general operat-
5 ing and flight rules referred to in subsection (a) by
6 establishing special rules applicable to the flight op-
7 erations conducted by Alaska guide pilots.

8 (2) CONTENTS OF RULES.—Any rule issued by
9 the Administrator pursuant to the rulemaking pro-
10 ceeding conducted under paragraph (1) shall only re-
11 quire Alaska guide pilots—

12 (A) to operate aircraft inspected no less
13 often than after 125 hours of flight time;

14 (B) to participate in an annual flight re-
15 view, as described in section 61.56 of title 14,
16 Code of Federal Regulations;

17 (C) to have at least 500 hours of flight
18 time as a pilot;

19 (D) to have a commercial rating, as de-
20 scribed subpart F of part 61 of such title;

21 (E) to hold at least a second-class medical
22 certificate, as described in subpart C of part 67
23 of such title; and

24 (F) to hold a letter of authorization issued
25 by the Administrator.

1 (3) LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION DEFINED.—In
2 this subsection, the term “letter of authorization”
3 means a letter issued by the Administrator to an
4 Alaska guide pilot certifying that the pilot is in com-
5 pliance with general operating and flight rules appli-
6 cable to the pilot. In the case of a multi-pilot oper-
7 ation, at the election of the operating entity, a letter
8 of authorization may be issued by the Administrator
9 to the entity or to each Alaska guide pilot employed
10 by the entity.

11 (c) ALASKA GUIDE PILOT DEFINED.—In this Act,
12 the term “Alaska guide pilot” means a pilot who—

13 (1) conducts aircraft operations over or within
14 the State of Alaska;

15 (2) operates single engine, fixed wing aircraft
16 on floats, wheels, or skis, providing commercial
17 hunting, fishing, or other guide services and related
18 accommodations in the form of camps or lodges; and

19 (3) transports clients by such aircraft incidental
20 to hunting, fishing, or other guide services, or uses
21 air transport to enable guided clients to reach hunt-
22 ing or fishing locations.

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